

## TROTZKY CONTINUES PEACE PARLEY REGARDLESS OF ALLIES

limitations upon the city's restaurant and amusement businesses which are not imposed in every large city.

It was the unanimous opinion of all the local Fuel Administration to-day that the condition of railroad congestion in the matter of moving coal to tidewater had begun to change for the better as the result of efforts by A. H. Smith, Director of Eastern Railroads. More coal is piling up at Jersey tidewater terminals than can be handled by inadequate unloading facilities and shortened labor.

## ICE CONDITIONS IN BAY LESS BOTHERSOME.

Ice conditions in the lower bay and Kill van Kull were far less bothersome to tugs and barges to-day than at any time since the recent severe cold spell. After clearing out the channel in Kill van Kull to-day the Red Cross Line steamship Florisel, practically the only ship in the bay built to buck heavy ice without damage, tackled the stiff job of opening Prince's Bay, Staten Island, which has been tight shut by ice floes for a week.

J. W. Searles, Deputy Commissioner of the Tidewater Coal Exchange, reported to-day that during the heavy wind storm of last night seven coal barges were sunk in Newark Bay off South Amboy; three were loaded with 5,000 tons each. Searles said that 2,365 cars carrying bituminous coal were waiting unloading in the six coal terminals and that 744 carsloads were ferried to New York on barges in the twenty-four hours ending at 4 A. M. to-day.

Mayor Hylan is prepared to seize coal in the possession of the Consolidated Gas Company if it finds it has on hand more than it actually needs. City experts are to make a survey of the coal in the various pockets and yards of the company.

## FEWER STREET ACCIDENTS; ONLY 1,141 IN DECEMBER

Police Figures Show Decrease in Persons Hit by Autos, but More Fell on Sidewalks.

The detailed tables of accidents compiled by the Bureau of Statistics of the Police Department for the month of December show that fewer persons were hit by automobiles, 334 as compared with 384 for December, 1916. The total number of vehicular accidents decreased to 1,141 from 1,427.

The number of falls on streets or sidewalks increased to 414 from 331. The changes in general location of the accidents as shown in the following table are significant:

General Location	No. of Accidents
1917, 1916	
At cross-walks	295 397
At safety zones	3 4
At car stops	19 17
Along streets	11 8
In front of schools—children only	5 0
Street intersections	245 328
On streets other than above 5th	781
On bridges	19 19
On sidewalks	310 244
Total	1,376 1,590

These figures show that when pedestrians are compelled to keep to the sidewalks the aggregate number of accidents is greatly reduced.

## GOVERNMENT IS PAYING FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS

Has Already Mailed 200,000 Blanks to Dependents of U. S. Fighting Men.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Since Congress appropriated \$176,150,000 for the protection of the American fighting forces and their dependents, more than 200,000 checks have been mailed as allowances, according to a statement issued to-day by the Committee of Public Information. The fund is administered by the War Risk Insurance Bureau, under the direction of Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo.

The fund provides for family allowances for the support during the war of enlisted men's families, compensation for partial and total disability or death caused in the line of duty, and Government insurance against death and total disability. Only a small number of payments have so far been made in claims for disability or death or on account of insurance.

## MARRIED BY SURROGATE.

Former King's Counselor, of Montreal, Quebec, has been married to-day by the regular duties of his court long enough to-day to unite in marriage Charles Hazlett Cahan, formerly King's Counselor of Montreal, Canada, and Miss Juliet Charlotte Hulin of Paris, France. After the civil ceremony in the surrogate chambers, the wedding party hurried to the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, where the religious ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. James Palmer.

Surrogate Fowler was pressed into service through the solicitation of lawyer T. L. Liddell, New York City, who is the surrogate for the bridegroom, who has extensive financial interests in Mexico.

## BOWENS TO BE DIVORCED.

Referee Recommends That the Wife Receive a Decree.

Recommendation that Mrs. Gertrude M. S. Bowen receive a divorce from Thomas Van H. Bowen was entered yesterday in the Supreme Court by Charles F. Boatwick, referee.

He said that the Bowen had admitted at the hearing that he had been guilty of misconduct, but that there was sufficient corroborative evidence to set aside any suspicion of collusion.

Mrs. Bowen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Shannon of No. 148 West 8th Street. Bowen is the son of Mrs. A. Floyd Bowen of No. 34 West 11th Street. The marriage took place May 6, 1914.

American Casualties in Canadian Forces Abroad.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 12.—The following Americans are mentioned in to-day's Canadian casualty list: Killed in Action—N. Sherritt, Angusville, Me. Wounded—J. V. Clark, Tempo, Ariz.

## BAKER IS OPPOSED TO APPOINTMENT OF MUNITION DIRECTOR

Tells Senators Present Arrangement Is Similar to British Purchasing System.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Establishment of a munitions director, was disapproved to-day by Secretary Baker in testifying before the Senate Military Committee. He said the reorganized arrangement in the War Department is virtually similar to the British munitions purchasing system.

By co-ordination under the War Industries Board, supplementing the navy supply system and the reorganized army system, Mr. Baker felt further co-ordination unnecessary.

Senators Chamberlain and Wadsworth both disagreed that Government supply purchasing is now, under the army's reorganization, under single direction and authority.

When asked by Senator Chamberlain why he objects to the bill to establish a new department of munitions with a Cabinet head, Secretary Baker replied:

"Of course I have no right to comment on the addition of a new member to the President's Cabinet, but as to the bill, first, it creates an impossible task. No human being can be found to decide all the questions the bill would present. You would have an industrial dictator. You would also have the judgment of the Secretary of War on military matters subject to that of a civilian."

"Yet it has worked a marked success in England," said Senator Wadsworth.

## PRESENT SYSTEM NOT ENTIRELY SUCCESSFUL IN ENGLAND.

"Quite the contrary," Mr. Baker insisted, saying that the British system was an improvement over the former system, but not entirely successful.

Senator Wadsworth and other critics details of the reorganization plan. Manufacturing and military problems are co-ordinated under the reorganization, Secretary Baker declared, by creating bureaus of production, inspection and supply. The reorganization, Mr. Baker insisted, accomplished "exactly" what the British Munitions Directorate does. He added that Chairman Willard of the Advisory Committee of the Council of National Defense and other members have approved the reorganization.

At the outset of the hearing to-day the committee asked what had been done about 1,200 Lewis machine guns held in storage while cantonments and camps need them for practice.

Secretary Baker promised that they immediately would be distributed, and Senator Weeks observed that the distribution had been delayed a month.

"That is the essence of this whole thing," said Senator Weeks. "There is delay, too much delay. Things that should be done at once are delayed when every day counts."

"Mr. Secretary," Chairman Chamberlain broke in, "your general statements of conditions are all calculated to leave the impression that all these matters are really in good shape."

The senator cited reports of clothing shortages at Camp Sherman and added: "The effect on the country of your statements is to fill it into a feeling of security that everything has been done that should have been done. I don't think it has."

"I think the country is entitled to feel secure," Mr. Baker replied earnestly. "When the facts are known the country will feel secure."

Senator Hitchcock, another Democratic member of the committee, said: "But, Mr. Secretary, we have specific testimony of exact clothing shortages, while your testimony seems to contradict them completely."

Mr. Baker said the shortages cited might be of final but not initial equipment.

"I agree with the Chairman," continued Senator Hitchcock, "that you seem to have the impression that everything is lovely, that there are no shortages and that these reports are unjustified."

## WANTS TO GIVE THE PICTURE REALLY AS IT IS.

"Quite the contrary," Mr. Baker answered. "I want to give the picture as it is. There was a shortage of overcoats and other clothing. But I think the figures of shortages you have were at the climax of the shortages. I think the country ought to have the knowledge that since those discouraging days supplies have very much increased. Conditions are not perfect, of course."

"The fault I find," the Chairman replied, "is that if Congress had the people got the impression—which your general statements give—that everything is all right, they will believe that no legislation to correct the department's neglect is necessary, and from our testimony I think it is necessary."

"But I must insist," said Mr. Baker, "that, under facts as they are, the country is entitled to reassurance."

Mr. Baker cited statistics of shortages early in December and how sup-

## BRITISH AND FRENCH RAID GERMAN TRENCHES

Taking of Prisoners Reported by Both London and Paris War Offices.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—"Early this morning our troops successfully raided the enemy's trenches east of Lens, capturing a few prisoners," the War Office announced.

PARIS, Jan. 12.—Violent artillery around Beaumont and Hesnoy was reported by the War Office to-day. Southeast of Hesnoy a French raid resulted in the taking of prisoners.

## WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN THE FIELDS, JAN. 12.—The whole line in Flanders is a bag to-day.

Following blizzard snowstorms, there was a thaw on Thursday, and Friday there were only patches of melting snow over all the ground. Today, a March-like wind swept the battle zone and low clouds drizzled continuously.

The result was a ghastly, almost impossible muck. The hill country is scarcely less like a quagmire than the lowlands.

## SIX PASSENGERS HURT AS TRAIN JUMPS TRACK

Accident Due to Washout Ties Up Long Island Line to Rockaway.

Six passengers on the Long Island Railroad express from Rockaway for New York at 6:35 A. M. to-day were slightly injured when two cars left the rails at White Post Road, about a mile from the Forest Hills station.

A washout caused by the heavy rain and wind storm was the cause of the accident. About 100 feet of track was undermined. The train was moving at moderate speed—otherwise the results might have been much more serious. As it was, traffic on the line was tied up, and it was necessary to reroute New York bound trains through Jamaica.

Passengers from the derailed train walked to Forest Hills. Those who were injured went away without giving their names.

## NOT MUCH OF A SHAKE-UP IN BRITISH ADMIRALTY

Only One New Name in List as Officially Reported in London.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The new Admiralty Board is announced officially. There is nothing sensational or dramatic about the list of names and only one naval member of the board was not serving at the Admiralty when Admiral Sir John R. Jellicoe was the head. He is Rear Admiral Sydney R. Fremantle, who becomes Deputy Chief of Staff to Vice Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, the new First Sea Lord.

The new Admiralty Board, a despatch to London on Jan. 9 said, will be divided into three departments: operations in home waters, operations overseas, and trade protection operations. Admiral Wemyss will be Chief of Naval Staff and responsible for the large questions of naval policy.

There has been increased during the month. Mistakes in distribution and also in furnishing correct sizes, he contended, also contributed to shortages.

Senator Wadsworth insisted that the War Department had developed, in the Mexican border service, that shoe sizes were not properly standardized.

Chairman Chamberlain declared sanitary conditions and overcrowding of men, with lack of clothing, at Camp Bowie were reported to the department in September and should have been called to the Secretary's attention, as epidemics, predicted by the camp's commander, had followed in December.

Secretary Baker replied that his advisers said no trouble in canvas housing of men was probable.

"It turned out that the camps in which there was the most sickness were the canvas camps," said Mr. Baker.

## DIFFICULT TO KNOW WHERE TO SEND COMPLAINTS.

Senator Weeks said Major Gen. Greble, Camp Bowie's Commander, had reported conditions to four high officers in the department.

"That is the trouble with the department," Senator Hitchcock interrupted. "Nobody knows where to submit anything, being shunted from pillar to post."

Senator Frelinghuysen asked if all clothing manufacturing facilities of the country were used.

"The sweatshop system was prohibited from the beginning," Mr. Baker replied, disclaiming knowledge that large and well known Rochester, N. Y., factories were not used.

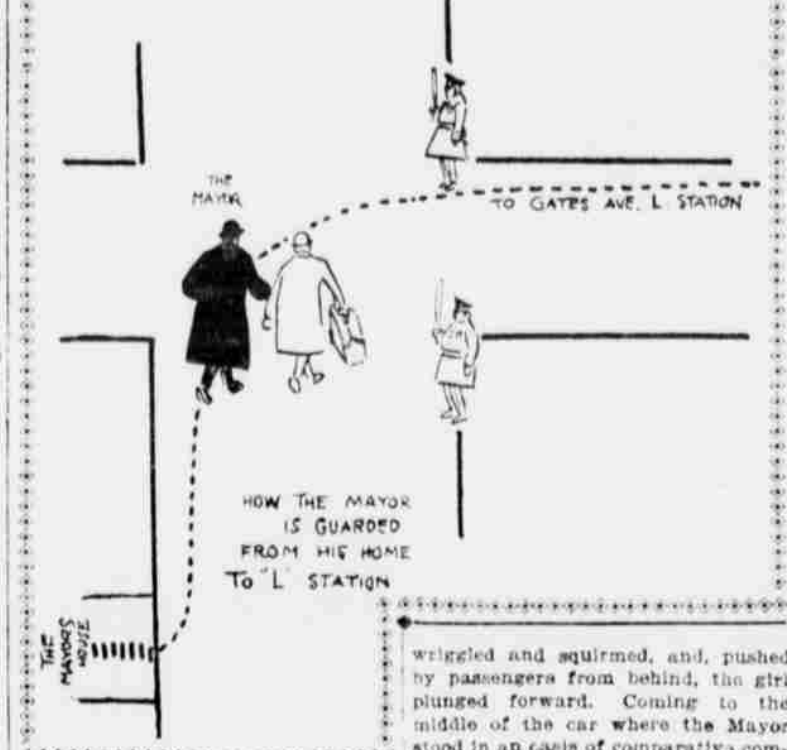
Turning to cantonment health conditions Secretary Baker conceded there were complaints and differences of opinion regarding architecture of hospitals.

Senator Wadsworth said the Spartanburg, S. C., camp hospital was built with open roofs, like the Panama Zone hospital, and had to be roofed over when near-zero weather came.

Secretary Baker replied that all hospitals had been built on plans recommended by Surgeon Gen. Clegg.

Recent reorganization of the department and its bureaus, especially the Ordnance Bureau, was detailed by Secretary Baker. The old system, he said, imposed "impossible" burdens of co-ordination on the Secretary.

## How Hylan Gets to Work As a B. R. T. Straphanger; Aids Girl Who Falls in Car



First Hand Account of Mayor's Experiences on Brooklyn Elevated Trains.

The Evening World to-day obtained a first-hand account of the difficulties encountered by Mayor Hylan in his efforts to get to his office on time by travelling on the overcrowded elevated trains of the B. R. T.

Mayor Hylan's experience to-day was that of a straphanger. He rode in car No. 1385. In this car sixty-two passengers were standing, exclusive of the jams on the platforms. Some of those inside held straps. Others swayed or lunged against each other as the train jerked and jolted along its journey.

The driving swirl of rain which had rattled window casements while it cleaned the streets had stopped and the sun was shining brightly as the Mayor left his home at No. 929 Bushwick Avenue at 7:54 A. M., accompanied by Detective Sergeant Irving O'Hara, his bodyguard. He walked briskly to Grove Street, the cross street leading to Broadway and the Gates Avenue Station. As he turned two policemen, one on either side of the intersecting street, came to attention and saluted. The Mayor said "Good morning" and hurried on. At the foot of the elevated structure he stopped to buy the morning newspapers, then mounted the stairs.

The platform of the Gates Avenue Station contained about 175 passengers, many of whom recognized the Mayor and greeted him with smiles. He nodded in return and raised his hat to two women who called him by name. Nobody made room for him when the Lexington Avenue train drew in at 8:04 o'clock, but his broad shoulders soon forced an entrance, and he worked his way to the middle of the car, found a strap and not without difficulty unfolded a newspaper.

At first it seemed as though the trip was destined to be a long one, for the train had not cleared the station by more than a couple of hundred yards before it came to a stop and there was a delay of two minutes.

Mayor Hylan looked up from his newspaper and frowned. At Reid Avenue, the first stop, another big crowd was waiting and the crush in the car became greater. At Summer Avenue still more crowded and conditions at either end of the car became intolerable.

"I'm stifling; move up to the middle of the car, or let me through," cried a young woman. The mass

## M'ADOO MOVES TO SAVE \$35,000,000 ON RAILROADS

Takes First Step Toward Elimination of Competitive Freight and Passenger Soliciting Agencies.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Director General McAdoo delivered his first great victory yesterday by a United States battle which is necessary to serve the public. Each big road now maintains costly bureaus with highly paid soliciting agents in all big cities.

Work of amassing the freight congestion was seriously hampered again to-day by widespread storms. Fifteen loaded ships were towed from Baltimore yesterday by a United States battleship, which Director General McAdoo had "borrowed" to clear the Baltimore channel of ice.

## MILLION TONS OF COAL TO BE STORED HERE IF Hylan's ORDER GOES

Mayor Instructs City Chamberlain to Prepare for Future Shortage and Relief of Port.

THERE will be a lot of coal in New York next fall if City Chamberlain Johnson is able to carry out the instructions he has received from the Mayor regarding preparations against a future shortage.

The Mayor has told Mr. Johnson to see that at least 1,000,000 tons are purchased and stored. The storage places are not named. It is explained that this coal will be not merely for the use of the city departments, but for emergency distribution to the poor of the city in case of another shortage.

## BROKERS ACCUSE BARST AT SUGAR INVESTIGATION

Charge American Refining Used Federal Position to Help Own Company and Ask Removal.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Sugar brokers presented to-day to the Senate Investigating Committee charges against President Earl D. Barst, of the American Sugar Refining Company, and petitioned for his removal from the International Sugar Committee, which regulates for the Government distribution of the world's supply.

Lambert V. H. Cameron, President of the Brokers' Association, asserted that Mr. Barst used his position as member of the committee to benefit his own company.

The attempt of the American company to do away with brokers in the business was denounced by Mr. Cameron as violating the understanding when Federal control was instituted that established channels of commerce should be continued.

Mr. Barst has had only 100 brokers affected by the change. Mr. Cameron declared there were many hundreds. Mr. Cameron further said that while he was in session with a committee of brokers drafting the protest against Mr. Barst, the latter sent for him and approached him with an offer to become an employee of the American company. This, he said, was refused as an insult.

## SHIPPED MACHINE GUNS TO MEXICO FROM THE U. S.

Did It "Under Very Eyes of Federal Officers," Says Man Accused at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Knowledge of a successful shipment of machine guns and other munitions from a southern California port to Mexico was admitted to-day by Nicholas Sam Zogg, when he and two others appeared for preliminary examination before a United States commissioner on charges filed by army intelligence officers.

Zogg said the shipment was made four months ago "under the very eyes of federal officers."

## Bull Runs Wild in Freight Yard and Victim Is at Death's Door.

ALBANY, Jan. 12.—A bull broke away from a freight car in West Albany to-day and caused a panic in the New York Central freight yard. Ed W. Griffith of Schenectady was attacked twice by the bull and his condition is reported to be critical. Two hundred railroad men rushed for safety as the bull dashed through the yard. A railroad policeman killed him with a shot.

## Truck Kills Boy Gathering Coal.

Ten-year-old Joseph Millard, No. 36 Old Broadway, was killed this morning when he was waiting for pieces of coal to fall from a truck as that he could gather them in a tin pail. A coal wheel crushed the boy's skull. The accident occurred at the dock at the foot of West 14th Street. The truck was driven by Charles Duran, who was arrested.

## Symphony Director Kuuswald Ordered Interned.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 12.—Ernest Kuuswald, former director of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, today was ordered interned at Fort Thomas, Ky., by the Department of Justice at Washington.

## U. S. Loans to Allies Now Aggregate \$1,235,400,000.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Total credits to the Allies were raised today to \$1,235,400,000, when Secretary McAdoo authorized a loan of \$2,000,000 to Serbia, making Serbia's total \$6,000,000.

## Marquand Signs Contract.

The signed contracts of Hubert Marquand and John A. Russell, partners in the 1918 season, were received to-day by the United States National League baseball club.

## Hope Abandoned for Recovery of Senator Brady.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Hope was abandoned today for the recovery of Senator Brady of Idaho, who suffered an attack of acute heart trouble Thursday night. The Senator called last night and appeared to be much stronger, but a stroke came early today and he began to sink.

## MRS. DICK, FORMER WIDOW OF COL. ASTOR, ILL IN BALTIMORE.

She is the widow of Col. Astor, who died in 1914.



Mrs. William Karl Dick.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 12.—Mrs. William K. Dick, formerly Mrs. John Jacob Astor, wife of Col. Astor, who perished when the "Titanic" was sunk, is a patient at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, under the care of Dr. L. F. Barker.

Mrs. Dick arrived in Baltimore late Thursday night with her husband, with whom was Dr. H. M. Biggs of New York and a nurse.

Her condition is said not to be serious.

## GERMANS DISCREDIT STORY OF SINKING HOSPITAL SHIP

Rewa Was Reported Torpedoed, Although Plainly Marked With a Red Cross.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 12.—The Wolff Bureau, the semi-official German agency, in a communication regarding the sinking of the British hospital ship Rewa, says that the German authorities cannot yet give a final statement, as the submarine which might have been concerned is still at sea. The communication adds:

"Nevertheless, competent quarters regard it as impossible that the ship should have been torpedoed by a submarine. Accordingly, the only possibility is that she was sunk by a mine."

The hospital ship Rewa was torpedoed and sunk in the Bristol Channel on Jan. 6, according to official announcement made last Tuesday. There were 550 persons on board, including a number of wounded and a torpedo hit the ship about three miles from the shore, who were killed. A news despatch from Cardiff Tuesday said that the torpedo which sank the Rewa went directly through the Red Cross painted on her side.

## U BOAT REFUSES AID TO SINKING SHIP'S CREW

Germans Watch Sailors as They Struggle in Water, Clinging to Life Boats.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—Another exhibition of German brutality in submarine warfare was formally reported here to-day. A certain British steamer of 4,311 tons was struck by a torpedo in the Mediterranean, Jan. 7. The vessel sank. The U boat which fired the shot came to the surface and her crew looked on at the spectacle of the steamer's crew struggling in the water and clinging to upturned boats. All assistance was refused by the U boat, which finally rescued some of the crew, but seventeen are known to have perished.

## JAPANESE STEAMER CAPTURED BY GERMANS

Office of Dutch Merchantman Reports Vessel Was Converted Into a Cruiser.

TOKIO, Jan. 12.—The office of a Dutch merchantman arriving at Nagasaki today reported that the steamer Hutan Maru, missing for three months, was captured by the enemy en route to Delagoa Bay from Colombo, and converted into a cruiser. The passengers, he asserted, were taken prisoner.

The Japanese Admiralty does not believe the report, although the loss of the ship has been known.

## PORTS ON THE BALTIC REOPENED BY FIRST TROTZKY PEACE TREATY

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like many other things, had been abolished by the Russians in their victorious revolution of October. It was the opinion of the Russian delegates, he said, that neither political nor technical circumstances rendered it necessary to continue to hold the sessions at Brest-Litovsk.

"The Russian Government," he said, "wrote the word peace at the head of its programme. The great sympathies of the Russian people for the peoples of the Allies strengthen the desire to attain the speediest peace based on an understanding among the peoples."

"To remove from the Quadruple Alliance a pretext for breaking off the peace negotiations on technical grounds, the Russian delegation accepts the demand to remain in Brest-Litovsk in order not to leave unutilized any possibility in the fight for peace. In renouncing its proposal regarding the transfer of negotiations to neutral soil, the Russian delegation proposes continuation of the negotiations."

## ACCUSED OF JEWEL THEFT.

Detectives Settle Former Salesman as He Leaves Theatre.

Morris Klein, nineteen, of No. 375 East 135th Street was taken to the Centre Street Police Court this morning, charged with the theft of jewelry worth \$2,500 from Abel Brothers, No. 23 Maiden Lane.

Klein went to work as a salesman for the firm on Sept. 11 last, and the police say he deposited \$500 at the Maiden Lane Savings Bank that day. The company's stock is checked up daily once in two or three weeks. Klein vanished on Oct. 8, when an inventory was to be made, and the police were unable to get a trace of him until last night, when a man with a credit note of detectives he was attending a party at the New York Theatre. Detectives captured him after a battle, when he stepped from the door. The jewelry company also has reported to the police the disappearance of about 100 diamonds valued at \$7,000 wholesale.

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